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TOPIC Air Force Information from Gollnow and Warsaw-Okecie

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1. Prior to late 1951, only light air activity was observed in the Gollnow (O 54/Q 77) area. In early 1952, jet aircraft were seen for the first time. Air activity by jet aircraft increased in the course of the year. The jets mostly came from the west and returned there. They had an air-intake in their nose and the wings had a pronounced sweep back. They flew mostly at altitudes of over 1,000 meters, but never at very high altitudes. The majority of the flights were either individually or in elements of twos.¹ Individual biplanes were also seen.

2. From January to 1 June 1953, biplanes carried out intensive local training at Warsaw-Okecie (R 53/P 98) airfield. The aircraft were marked by the national Polish insignia. Beside these biplanes, twin-engine conventional piston aircraft of various types, commercial aircraft of the Polish air lines and other air lines and Polish transports marked by Polish insignia used this field. Jet aircraft or 4-engine aircraft were never seen at the field. On two days during the month of May 1953 [redacted] 6 to 8 parachutists make jumps individually from biplanes which had taken off from the field. The parachutists jumped from an altitude of about 600 meters; the first parachute would open after about 100 meters and the second parachute, of the same size as the first, after another 100 meters. [redacted] 2

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25X1 3. [redacted] jet aircraft and their vapor trails at very high altitudes in the vicinity of Okecie. The jets which had a pronounced sweep back flew mostly in elements of twos. Up to 4 formations of 2 aircraft each were seen aloft prior to 1 June 1953, the aircraft were not fitted with auxiliary fuel tanks. [redacted] a biplane towing a small glider.³

25X1 1. [redacted] Comment. These jet planes, probably MiG-15s, may have belonged to Soviet fighter units stationed in Peenemuende or Stargard-Kluetzow (O 54/Q 84).

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25X1 2. [redacted] Comment. This data agrees with previous information. Warsaw-Okecie airfield is a civil airport occupied by a Polish air transport unit. Parachuting was continuously reported from this field.

25X1 3. [redacted] Comment. These jet planes which flew at very high altitudes were probably MiG-15s, and belonged to the Polish fighter units stationed in Warsaw, Poernerowc, Babice. The gliders seen are stationed at Warsaw-Goclaw airfield.

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